



CUTS International *Global Affairs*

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Progress Report: October to December 2025

This Quarterly Progress Report (QPR) captures the progress of CUTS International Global Affairs, and provides an overview of activities (research and outreach) that have been undertaken. This Report covers the October to December, 2025 (Q31) period.

Your comments/inputs are welcome!

RESEARCH

- Monthly Brief:** Each month, the Center disseminates a monthly brief, which is a collation of global news stories and opinions with respect to its focus work areas: Trade, Strategic Issues, Energy and Climate, Geo-Politics and Geo-Economics, in the context of Indo-U.S. relations, Indo-Pacific and QUAD with an 'Editor's Note' on a trending and critical issue of the month. (<https://bit.ly/32gl0sF>)
- Occasional News Wrap:** A synopsis of news stories and opinions on specific yet trending issues of geo-economic, geo-political and geo-strategic importance has been introduced as ONW. (<https://bit.ly/2Xld9oS>)

During this quarter, one ONWs were prepared and disseminated.

[Putin's Visit to India: Reaffirming old ties and strong bond](#)

3. Policy Briefs: Critical minerals form the backbone of modern technological advancement and the global energy transition. As India pursues its net-zero ambitions for 2070 and scales up its manufacturing capabilities, securing reliable access to these minerals has become a strategic imperative. This Policy Brief examines India's critical mineral landscape through a geopolitical lens, highlighting key vulnerabilities, opportunities, and pathways toward self-reliance in an increasingly weaponised global supply chain environment.

India's Rare Earths Strategy for Strategic Autonomy and Global Leverage

EVENT

1. [India-Australia Defence Industry Business Roundtable](#)
Friday, October 10, 2025
2. [An Emerging BRICS Vision for the Global South](#)
Wednesday, October 15, 2025
3. [QUADRO - Why Russia, India, China, and America Should Work Together](#)
Friday - Saturday, November 28-29, 2025
4. [Dinner Talk by Shashi Tharoor on “Leveraging a Volatile Global Order: Accelerating India’s Journey Towards Viksit Bharat”](#)
New Delhi, December 15, 2025

OUTREACH

1. **Website:** The Center's website is being regularly updated (<https://cuts-global.org/index.htm>)
2. **Email Forum:** 5345 Members and counting....
3. **Social Media:** 1217 Followers on [Twitter](#), 1499 Followers on [LinkedIn](#) and 539 Followers on [Facebook Page](#).
4. **CUTS Adda:** 185 subscribers (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdRDpd4XauhweL_h0GSCLsg)

IN MEDIA

[Why Cooperation, Not Fear, Must Drive the Future of Trade Ties With America](#)
The Asian Age, November 06, 2025

MISCELLANEOUS

1. A list of **International Advisory Board** members can be accessed at -
(<http://bit.ly/2CAJ25H>)
2. A list of **Management Board** members can be accessed at - (<https://bit.ly/2MU2u2j>)
3. The **past Quarterly Progress Reports** can be downloaded from this link
(<https://tinyurl.com/45e32xyd>)